

Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as shown below. This Listing of Claims will replace prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus comprising:
a receiving device configured to receive an instruction signal instructing to transmit identification information;
a number generating device configured to generate M different random numbers in response to receipt of the instruction signal;
a power generating device configured to generate power for operating the communication apparatus from the instruction signal received by the receiving device;
a clock decoding device configured to decode a clock contained in the instruction signal received by the receiving device;
a counting device configured to count the decoded clock;
a determination device configured to determine whether the number of clocks counted by the counting device matches one of the M different random numbers generated by the number generating device; and
a transmitting device configured to transmit identification information of the communication apparatus, each time a clock count obtainedthe number of clocks

counted by the counting device matches one of the M different random numbers generated by the number generating device.

20 - 22. (Cancelled)

23. (Currently Amended) A method for communicating by a communication apparatus, the method comprising:

a receiving step of receiving an instruction signal for instructing to transmit identification information;

a number generating step of generating M different random numbers in response to receiving of the instruction signal by the receiving device;

a power generating step of generating power for operating the communication apparatus from the instruction signal received in the receiving step;

a clock decoding step of decoding a clock contained in the instruction signal received in the receiving step;

a counting step of counting the generated clock;

a determining step of determining whether the number of clocks counted in the counting step matches one of the M different random numbers generated in the number generating step; and

a transmitting step of transmitting identification information of the communication apparatus, each time a-clock-count obtained the number of clocks counted in the counting step matches one of the numbers selected in the

selecting stepM different random numbers generated in the number generating step.

24-26. (Canceled)

27. (Previously Presented) The communication apparatus according to claim 19, wherein the communication apparatus is a radio tag.